

Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services

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This is in response to your expression of interest in becoming a licensed home health agency in Missouri. The Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services has the responsibility for determining whether health care providers meet, and continue to meet, the licensure requirements. In addition to the accompanying information, we are enclosing the Missouri Licensure Law and the rules that define the law.

To aid you in determining if you are in compliance with the licensure requirements, this office is available to consult with you by telephone regarding organizational structure, bylaws, policies and procedures, staffing, etc. When you feel that your facility is in substantial compliance with the licensure requirements, all forms, the \$600 licensure fee and your agency's policy manual should be sent to this office.

Upon approval of your policy manual and your caseload development, we will conduct an on-site survey in order to determine if your facility is in substantial compliance with the licensure requirements. The date of survey is the earliest date that your agency can be licensed as a home health agency. If deficiencies are cited at the time of the survey, the earliest date of licensure will be the date that an acceptable plan of correction is submitted to this office.

Those agencies that are denied licensure in Missouri will be sent notification, together with the reasons for the denial and information about their rights to appeal the decision.

Please do not hesitate to communicate with this office if you have any questions. You can reach this office by sending your questions to: Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, Unit of Home Care and Rehabilitative Standards, P.O. Box 570, 912 Wildwood Drive, Jefferson City, Missouri 65102 or calling 573/751-6336. Additional information regarding licensure and current home health issues is available on our website at http://www.dhss.state.mo.us/Home_Health.

Sincerely,

Lisa Coots, R.N., Administrator Unit of Home Care and

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Rehabilitative Standards

Enclosure